

## County and State Committees



Farmers who are eligible to participate in federal farm programs elect a three to five person county committee. This committee reviews county office operations and makes decisions on how the programs apply locally, giving farmers a say in how the federal programs are applied in their county.

The State Committee reviews state office operations and makes decisions on how programs are applied state-wide. Appeals of County Committee decisions are heard at the State Committee level.

If you would like to be nominated to serve on your county committee (elections held annually in March), contact your local FSA service center.

### County Committees:

<u>County</u> Title	<u>Service Center Phone #</u> Name
<b><i>Hawaii County (Big Island)</i></b>	<i>(808) 933-8381, Ext. 8340</i>
Chairperson	Charles Onaka
Vice-Chairperson	Kazuto Takayama
Member	Ernest Pung
<b><i>Honolulu County (Oahu)</i></b>	<i>(808) 483-8600, Ext. 2</i>
Chairperson	Harry Choy
Vice-Chairperson	Dominic Kadooka
Member	Van Tu
<b><i>Kauai County</i></b>	<i>(808) 245-9014, Ext. 2</i>
Chairperson	John Sanchez
Vice-Chairperson	Linda A. Yoshii
Member	Charlene A. Mederios
<b><i>Maui County (Maui/Molokai/Lanai)</i></b>	<i>(808) 244-3100, Ext. 2</i>
Chairperson	William G. Jacintho
Vice-Chairperson	Debra N. Kelly
Member	Colleen Lopes

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### State Committee:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Name</u>
Chairperson	Herbert M. "Monty" Richards, Jr.
Member	Teena M. Rasmussen
Member	Phyllis S. Shimabukuro-Geiser

To contact State Committee members, please call Jill Lee, Administrative Specialist, at (808) 541-2600, Ext. 102.